

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please amend paragraph [0002] as follows:**

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Since weeds that ~~grown~~ grow in farms tend to become a nest swarming with vermin of all types ~~descriptions~~, there is a need for cutting those weeds several times a year. Since ~~weeds~~ weed cutting is laborious ~~involves a heavy labor~~, various machines have been proposed and put into practical ~~actual uses~~ use. Among these machines, bush cutting machines have become popular because they are small in size and easy to manipulate. An example of such bush cutting machines is disclosed in ~~known from~~, for example, Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. SHO-61-231039, entitled "VIBRATION ABSORBING GRIP", and Japanese Utility Model Laid-Open Publication No. SHO-51-144446, entitled "VIBRATION-PROOFING STRUCTURE FOR HANDLE OF BUSH CUTTING MACHINE".

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As shown in FIG. 3, the bush cutting machine 10 is suspended from a shoulder of an operator M via a shoulder strap 43 mounted to the operation rod 11. By rotating the cutter 16 by the prime mover 14 while gripping the left and right grips 20, 30 and swinging the operation rod 11 in fore and aft directions, weeds, grass, and the like ~~gr~~ are cut.